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FROM USDEL 109

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: PHILIPPINE BASE NEGOTIATIONS: USE OF FACILITIES

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1. FACILITIES WORKING GROUP DID NOT TABLE ARTICLE III AS CONTAINED REFTEL BECUASE WE LACKED RATIONALE FOR REJECTING WHAT APPEAR TO BE REASONABLE PHILIPPINE INTERESTS. REQUEST BY U A.M. JULY 14 A RECONSIDERATION OF THE REJECTION OF PROPOSALS CONTAINED IN BAGUIO 0058, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE FOLLOWING:

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2. PARA 1. DOES THE U.S. CONTEMPLATE EITHER USING

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THE FACILITIES FOR PURPOSES NOT RPT NOT AUTHORIZED BY
THE PHILIPPINES OR FOR THE PURPOSES CONTRARY TO THE CHARTER
OF THE UNITED NATIONS?

3. PARA 2. DOES THE U.S. CONTEMPLATE INSTALLATION OR
LAYING OF ACTIVE MINES OR OTHER SIMILAR EXPLOSIVES IN
PHILIPPINE WATERS WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE PHILIPPINES?

4. PARA 3. WE DO NOT UNDERSTAND REFERENCE TO "DRAWDOWN";
PROPOSED PARAGRAPH IS DELIBERATELY DRAFTED TO AVOID ANY
MENTION OF FORCES, AND REFERS ONLY TO FACILITIES. MORE-
OVER, UNDER USDEL FORMULATION, APPROVAL OF MUTUAL
DEFENSE BOARD WOULD BE REQUIRED ONLY FOR SUBSTANTIAL
RPT SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTIONS IN NUMBER OR EXTENT OF FACILITIES.

5. PARA 4. AS A MINIMUM, PHILS WILL CONTINUE TO INSIST
ON IDENTIFICATION OF U.S. UNITS PERMANENTLY STATIONED
HERE. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO PROVIDING THIS INFORMATION
ON A FORMAL BASIS? IF NOT, WE PROPOSE FOLLOWING RE-
FORMULATION, IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY REQUIREMENT FOR PROVIDING
PERSONNEL STRENGTH LEVELS OF INDIVIDUAL U.S. UNITS.

QUOTE: A DOCUMENT SHOWING THE STRENGTH LEVELS AND (RPT AND)
MILITARY UNITS OF UNITED STATES FORCES STATIONED IN THE
PHILIPPINES WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE PHILIPPINES UPON ENTRY
INTO FORCE OF THIS AGREEMENT. THIS DOCUMENT WILL BE
JOINTLY REVIEWED ON AN ANNUAL BAIS IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN
ITS ACCURACY. UNQUOTE.
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